

# **Workforce Partnership of Greater Rhode Island**

## **Youth Council Meeting Minutes**

**August 28, 2008**

**Present:** Cynthia Farrell, Everett Amaral, Alberto DeBurgo, Andrew DeTora, Alexis Devine, Joseph DiPina, Lissa Dreyer, Sharon Gainey, Scott Seaback, Andrew Tyska, and Johan Uvin. From staff, Nick Ucci and Gail DuPont

**Absent:** Sue Babin, Vanessa Cooley, Joseph DeSantis, Elizabeth Gilheeney, Dorothy Mattiello, Michael Montanaro, and Kathleen Stoddard.

**With a quorum present, Chair Cynthia Farrell called the meeting to order at approximately 3:40 P.M.**

### **Minutes from April 24, 2008**

**Chair Cynthia Farrell asked the Council to review the minutes of April 24, 2008. One correction was noted.**

**VOTE:** Scott Seaback motioned to accept the minutes as corrected. John Uvin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Minutes from August 21, 2008**

**Chair Cynthia Farrell asked the Council to review the minutes of August 21, 2008.**

**VOTE: Joseph DiPina motioned to accept the minutes as written. John Uvin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Youth Center Funding Proposals**

**Cynthia turned the meeting over to Carlos Ribeiro to review the Youth Service Funding**

**Recommendations made by the Youth Council RFP Committee. Carlos stated proposals were received for the Youth Centers and WIA Stand-Alone Programs. He addressed the Youth Centers first stating that the Woonsocket Youth Center proposal was from Family Resources Community Action. After negotiations, recommended funding was for \$420,000.00. The Pawtucket/Northern Rhode Island area youth center proposal was accepted from Comprehensive Community Action, with recommended funding of \$394,857.17. The South County area proposal received from South County Community Action was recommended for funding of \$320,614.00. Johan expressed concern that as CCAP has a large investment, it is critical that a good monitoring system be in place. Nick assured everyone that monitoring is a priority. He continued to explain that a monitoring committee has been assembled by the state. Alexis Devine informed the committee that Providence/Cranston is developing an advisory committee to strengthen, explore, and improve support to youth centers. Cynthia would like to explore the possibility of partnering with this committee.**

**VOTE: A motion to recommend to the Board to accept the recommendations to fund the youth centers was presented. Johan Uvin so moved. Joe DiPina seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **WIA Stand-Alone Funding Proposals**

**Carlos told the council that the RFP committee recommended funding CCAP in the amount of \$234,200.38 to serve 50 state-wide Youth Out-of-School 16-18 years of age and funding CCAP in the amount of \$292,385.04 to serve 50 state-wide Older Youth ages 19-21.**

**VOTE: A motion to recommend to the Board to accept the recommendations to fund the WIA Stand-Alone program was presented. Lissa Dreyer so moved. Scott Seaback seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Nick explained that Cynthia will be presenting these recommendations to the Executive Committee on Tuesday and then to the full Board for a vote on September 9, 2008.**

**Carlos asked anyone who is interested to attend a meeting to discuss redesigning the RFP on September 4th from 9:00 until noon at the Boys and Girls Club on Branch Avenue in Providence.**

**Being no further business to come before the committee, Andy Tyska**

**moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott Seaback seconded. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:00 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Gail DuPont**